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Applicant	: Vishnu K. Agarwal		
Filed	: August 31, 2000	Attorney Docket No.:	501082.16
Art Unit	: 2825	Customer No.	: 27,076
Examiner	: Caridad Everhart		
Title	: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING AGAINST OXIDATION OF A CONDUCTIVE LAYER IN SAID DEVICE		

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Respectfully submitted,

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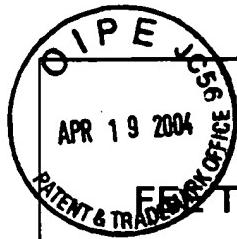
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1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description
Fee Code	Fee ($)	Fee Code	Fee ($)	
1001	770	2001	385	[] Utility Filing Fee
1002	340	2002	170	[] Design Filing Fee
1003	530	2003	265	[] Plant Filing Fee
1004	770	2004	385	[] Reissue Filing Fee
1005	160	2005	80	[] Provisional Filing Fee

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

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1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent Claim
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	AA	4,599,678	07/08/86	Wertheimer et al.	361	323	
	AB	6,156,674	12/05/00	Li et al.	438	780	
	AC	6,350,706 B1	02/26/02	Howard	438	781	
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